FISCAL NOTE

SB 2585 - HB 2684

February 12, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that drug offenses involving methamphetamine will be punished one classification higher if any of the following conditions are met:

- Firearm found on premises;
- Possession, transportation, or disposal of materials involved in the manufacture of an illegal controlled substance that creates risk to human health or safety or is a danger to the environment;
- Person under 13 years of age present;
- Manufacturing of an illegal controlled substance was within 500 feet of a residence, business, church, or school.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$148,700/Incarceration*

Assumes two Class B felony convictions will be elevated to Class A felony convictions and one Class C felony conviction will be elevated to a Class B felony conviction.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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